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Has she told you what the price of the new hat is to be?

"Divorce is to be made easier in Reno. How? Not cheaper?"

Jack Johnson lost \$225 in a mail car fire. What a burning shame!

Call it a northern or southern spring, as you like, it is spring, all right.

With the war at its height, where would this country be but for the Boy scouts?

And in the meantime, "Has anyone here seen Bailey?" "Voice at the dollar dinner."

Another mystery puzzle: Where was Willis E. Reed when the lights were turned up?

Our army would have swum the Rio Grande long ago had General Funston been there.

As the Chicago News observes, Lormer may be unfit, but it cannot be said that he is unfruitful.

That springtime sunshine was enough to melt the heart of the most obdurate base ball hold-out.

If our Nebraska law-makers want to perpetrate a real joke they will fix on April 1 for final adjournment.

Wonder if Associate Editor Metcalfe had his birthday banquet speech blue-penned by Editor-in-Chief Bryan.

Should Governor Woodrow Wilson rid his state of mosquitoes he will become the St. Patrick of New Jersey.

Even the grand opera promoters seem to have the spirit of Horace Greeley's advice to the young men.

Proving conclusively that the cause of the suffragettes is right, Miss Parkhurst has defeated a St. Louis lawyer in a public debate.

Thus far hostilities have not reached the stage where it has become necessary for Senator Heyburn to unfurl the old flag.

"Come to think of it," says the czar, under his breath, "I have not the price of a war handy, so will have to defer kicking China."

Every one of us can contribute a little in our own way toward the "city beautiful" by making our own front yards look attractive.

A Wichita bank president admitted his greed for money made him buy stolen postage stamps. Just stuck in his fingers, as it were.

Until the Art Loan exhibition brought them out, Omaha did not realize before how many art lovers and art treasures it possessed.

If they end that Mexican war now it might be such a disappointment to some of our soldiers of fortune that they would start a real revolution.

It is understood that Cadet Taylor has been endeavoring to help Postmaster Thomas out of the hole.—World-Herald.

Naturally, birds of a feather always find a way to get together.

It will be just like Mayor "Jim" and his city hall lieutenants to get the charter limits on the various municipal funds raised so that someone else can spend the money.

The Water board slogan, "Not next month, or next year, but now," plainly does not apply to the building of that new supply main for which we have been waiting for five years.

Why should a deputy county attorney putting in a few hours a week just for practice draw \$2,000 a year out of the public treasury? Our county attorney's office right now costs the taxpayers twice as much as it did ten years ago.

Conspicuous by Their Absence.

The birthday banquet tendered to Mr. Bryan was a significant gathering, but, like the platform, which is as binding for what it omits as for what it contains, its significance lies as much in those conspicuous by their absence as those noticeable by their presence. The absence from the banquet board of democracy of many familiar faces that have year in and year out worshipped at the shrine of the distinguished Nebraskan, indicates that there is something doing behind the breastworks, and that the preliminary skirmish at Grand Island last summer has settled the ranks and broken the column, although it has by no means deprived Mr. Bryan of followers. In his official capacity as a sentinel, Edgar Howard, who is a thick and thick member of the Bryan guard, last week cried out from the ramparts:

Today Nebraska is as certainly lost to Bryan, and all for which he stands, as the first battle of Bull Run was lost to the organized union army. But organization can win Nebraska for Bryan as certainly as organization retrieved union losses on that historic field of war.

The birthday banquet looks like the first roll call for volunteers in the fray, but in all probability those who were missing will not enlist on the Bryan side.

Let the merry war go on.

Trying to Break Deadlocks.

Powerful pressure is being brought to bear from the outside to force New York and Colorado democrats to break their senatorial deadlocks and elect senators before the extra session of congress convenes. The democratic party leaders see where they can use the votes of those two senators to good advantage. It seems now that Senator-elect Martine of New Jersey may be detained by physical disability. The party's strongest influence, therefore, is being wielded to compel action by the legislatures in New York and Colorado.

Although the convening of congress is now less than two weeks off, so far as the elements of disagreement in the two states are concerned, they are apparently no nearer harmony now than they were at the outset and probably would go on indefinitely as they have been unless outside powers intervened. "Boss" Murphy in New York, to be sure, professes to have assented to the plan of Sheehan's withdrawing from the race, but could not get the consent of Mr. Sheehan and "up-state democrats." He pretends, therefore, to have thrown the matter entirely upon Mr. Sheehan for decision, which, of course, will not be taken seriously by the method of doing business.

And it probably is just as true that in Colorado, whenever the big interests agreed to support some other man than Mayor "Bob" Speer of Denver, Mr. Speer's candidacy would collapse and an election of a senator ensue. In a sense the national democracy is on trial as to the extent of its power or influence. It is knowledge of this fact that is arousing the national leaders even though their interference is a plain violation of their professions favoring states rights.

Naming the Committees.

When the extra session of the Sixty-first congress convened two years ago Speaker Cannon, then exercising the power of his position, named only a few of the committees, the ways and means and rules first, holding the others in abeyance until the regular session. He named only what committees were essential to the immediate purposes of the new congress. Now it seems that Champ Clark as speaker and his democratic colleagues will follow this precedent. That is suggested in the interview of Congressman Hammond of Minnesota, who is a member of the ways and means committee. He ventures the opinion that only the rules, accounts and mileage and possibly one other committee will be selected. The ways and means is already made up. While the rules now deny the full appointing power to the speaker, he and his coterie of intimates will undoubtedly hold this power over any democratic brethren inclined to be recalcitrant, at least until the close of the extra session and the beginning of the regular one. Nor is it even certain that the tentative chairmanships given out will become more than tentative at this extra session. The plum tree can be used to great effect by the democratic leaders and they are not likely to overlook that.

Two years ago when the republicans were in control and Speaker Cannon made his appointments, Champ Clark, as the minority leader, loudly protested that he and his friends had been ignored in the make-up of the house, whereas it was the custom for the majority at least to consult with the minority leader. At that time Mr. Clark uttered this remonstrance: Originally the speaker had the power and exercised it, to appoint all committees, both the majority and minority members. Under Speaker Reed, when Bailey of Texas was the minority leader, and under Speaker Henderson, I think that the minority leaders were consulted a good deal regarding the appointment of minority members. When Cannon was elected speaker and Williams minority leader, the speaker conferred on the minority leader the favor of appointing minority members on committees with one or two reservations. Committee assignments do not make and unmake men in the house of representatives. I had nothing whatever to do with the appointments of the committee on ways and means and the committee on rules and I would not have cared a fig if he had put me on the tail end of the committee on ventilation and acoustics. Every man makes his own place in the house of

Around New York

Snippets on the Current of Life in the Great American Metropolis from Day to Day

Poor Nellie Bly, how they make her money fly, and her sob at the death of her mother, and her sob at the death of her mother, and her sob at the death of her mother.

Burlesque Legislation. An epidemic of burlesque legislation seems to have again broken out in state legislatures this winter. Over in Illinois one of its legislators has introduced a so-called stork bill, which he calls a measure to prevent race suicide. Like others of the sort, it seeks to tax bachelors and ondiv motherhood with premiums ranging from \$100 to \$200. If men vested with the grave responsibility of making laws desire to have a little fun with the bachelors that, while it is not exactly becoming the dignity of their position, is yet subject to pardon, but they should not invade the sacred circle of the home with their ribaldry.

In the first place, such a law would not logically accomplish the purpose set for it. Taking the argument of the advocates, themselves, that race suicide is practiced chiefly among the well-to-do and that large families are most common among the poorer classes, what practical effect could the matter of \$100 or \$200 have on homes already blessed with ample financial means? On the other hand, would it not, if it had any effect to stimulate the birth rate, tend to increase the burden of the poor and thus, instead of helping to solve the problem, only complicate it the more?

If the authors of this sort of freak legislation aimed at being funny, they may have succeeded in a measure, depending on the idea people have of what constitutes humor. But still there ought to be limits beyond which even members of legislatures should not or could not go.

A High Tribute.

In naming the newest and most modern public school building in Omaha the "Edward Rosewater School" the Board of Education has paid a high tribute to the founder of The Bee. We believe that every member of the community in any way familiar with the work of Edward Rosewater will agree that this is a most fitting recognition of what he did during his lifetime for the development of the public schools and the up-building of the city.

As the resolution adopted by the board sets forth, Mr. Rosewater, as a member of the legislature of 1871, found his principal achievement in securing the enactment of a law for the reorganization of the public schools of Omaha into a metropolitan school district. It is equally interesting, although perhaps not so well known, that the opponents of this measure attached a provision requiring its ratification by popular vote before it should be effective, and that The Bee was founded for no other purpose than to arouse public sentiment in its favor. The vote of confidence which ratified this public school law is what made The Bee a permanent institution, and immensely widened the field of usefulness of its editor and founder.

Several of our public school buildings have already been named in honor of the pioneers in educational work, and in continuing this custom from time to time the board has an opportunity to give real inspiration to the dedication of the new schools.

"The people want to respect their officials," says the Sioux City Journal. It is pretty hard to do so here in Omaha when our United States senators insist on filling two of the most responsible federal positions with notorious grafters, bank wreckers or public thieves.

Mr. Bryan says he doesn't have to have a certificate as a delegate to the next democratic national convention. As editor of a great weekly newspaper he can get a ticket to the press gallery on his own account, and the reporters usually have the best seats, anyway.

"I am not like Chamberlain," says Mr. Bryan: "I do not claim that my crowing has brought the morning light." But Mr. Bryan does not deny that he has done a good deal of crowing and crow eating.

The insurgents in the Ad club come in for a roasting for not tamely submitting to the will of the majority. Evidently, it depends on who is insubordinating whether insurgency is commendable.

It has taken the celebrated English clergyman, Dr. Aked, six weeks to resign his New York church. But even a quick American temperament might be slow getting away from a \$12,000 salary.

Where the Rio Runs Well.

The "Rio Grande River" is dry enough in Texas, but it is running steadily through the column of the northern press.

Then, What?

Pittsburg Dispatch. The selection of John J. Fitzgerald of Tammany to be chairman of the house committee on appropriations despite the protest of Mr. Bryan may be regarded as a great victory, but what if the democrats throughout the country should hold the same view as the Nebraskans?

Good Cause, Good Effect.

Louisville Courier-Journal. A wall goes up from the manufacturers of fireworks, because the "Fourth of July" movement has brought them to the verge of bankruptcy, but as between bankrupt manufacturers of this sort and maimed children, fire and general wreck, we are not puzzled to make choice.

NEBRASKA PRESS COMMENT.

Stanton Register (Dem.): A majority of the legislature seem to be tied hand and foot to the liquor interests as a draft of their proposed re-appointment, but the boose representatives will not have it that way.

If a political gerrymander is accomplished it will be a sad blow to democratic hopes in Nebraska. The people want a square deal.

Western Laborer: It seems to us if the legislature were to pass a simple enabling act granting to all cities and towns in Nebraska the right to adopt the commission form of government, it would be more satisfactory. Then each city or town could whip out the kind of plan it desired to adopt for itself and have all the time it wanted for discussion. It is too big a question to be settled by the rush act.

Hastings Republican: If the Placek bill is intended, as claimed by The Omaha Bee, an evident attempt to gerrymander the democratic voters into the dominant position, it should be defeated. The only excuse, if any, for a restricting of the state should be purely along equitable and fair lines. If it cannot be accomplished with this end in view, the measure should be killed. These are times for legislators to tote fair.

Grand Island Independent: Mr. Bryan has a new panacea. He would have a law passed requiring every newspaper to publish the names of its holders as also the holders of every mortgage on such property. But wherever this class legislation, Colonel? Why not apply the principle to every other corporation or at least to all public utility corporations? As to the newspaper, let the editor take the cueing. For what other purpose is he? Isn't that the way in which he earns his munificent salary?

O'Neill Independent: Lincoln is having a taste of what the democrats got last year in the open primary. This time the democrats are using it to nominate a man republicans do not want. The open primary, while good in theory has proved vicious in practice and will be used in this way as long as it remains upon our statutes. The democrats were made sore last year by having a man forced upon their ticket that they did not want and here is the time to get back at them in a way that will cause them trouble.

Falls City Journal: Otto Kotouc is a better performer this winter in the legislature than at the previous session. He votes against one of the wild-cat appropriations. It is time that somebody called a halt on leading down the state with unnecessary schemes for spending money. In the past ten years the population of Nebraska has increased 10 per cent, while the appropriations for the state government have increased in the same time almost 100 per cent, and the end is not in sight.

JOSHING THE JINGOES.

Chicago Record-Herald: The United States is soon to be bounded on the north by reciprocity and on the south by revolutions.

Wall Street Journal: Japan is preparing for war because she orders a supply of coal. Sinister activity of the frankfurter factories also directs attention to the German peril.

Philadelphia Record: If the world were governed by the jingoes and the enthusiasts of peace there is reason to fear that war would be perpetual. Happily they are both greatly in the minority.

Brooklyn Eagle: Our regulars down near the Rio Grande are gravely discontented. The militiamen who have always amused them so much in the past are left out of the program. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy, as elsewhere.

Pittsburg Dispatch: Germany's military experts report the concentration of our troops in Texas to be a failure. But we need not be too much cast down over this adverse judgment. It is the habit of the German experts to regard every mobilization as a failure except their own.

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